


MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. DULLES

Attached hereto is a proposed reply to Senator Butler's letter which I have rewritten in order to take cognizance of the action of the National Capital Planning Commission in voting against Langley.


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The Honorable John M. Butler
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Dear John:

Thank you for your letter of 5 December 1955 enclosing a letter and resolution from The Georgetown Citizens Association concerning the location of our proposed new headquarters. We also received a copy of this resolution directly from Mr. deLimur, the President of the Association.

Our expression of preference for the Langley site was made after Clarke & Rapuano, an outstanding firm of consulting engineers and landscape architects, had carefully studied our problem. They advised us that the Langley site was, in their opinion, the best possible site available and unhesitatingly recommended it to us. In their opinion the improvements to Key Bridge, which I understand are planned without regard to the location of our proposed building, and the extension of the George Washington Memorial Parkway, which has been authorized since 1930 and is badly needed in any case, are the only improvements necessary to accommodate the additional traffic incident to the location of our building at Langley.

The Langley site is, if anything, more convenient to the residences of our employees than our present headquarters. In going to and from the Langley site, the bulk of our traffic would be moving in a direction opposite to that of the normal flow. In these circumstances we believe that existing congestion would be relieved rather than aggravated. However, as you may know, the National Capital Planning Commission voted by a narrow margin on 16 December to recommend to us that we not locate at Langley. We have not yet received their report and, of course, until we do and have had a chance to analyze it we are unable to say what action we consider appropriate.

Your interest and cooperation in this matter are very much appreciated.

Enclosure: DeLimur correspondence

Sincerely,

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